

**Minutes of August 24, 2016
Inland Wetland Commission
Town Council Chambers
Regular Meeting**

I. Call to Order:

The Regular Meeting of the Inland Wetlands Commission (“Commission”) was called to Order at 7:03 p.m.

(A) Pledge of Allegiance

(B) Roll Call

Present: Michael S. Muttitt, *Chairman*
Jason Grady, *Vice-Chairman*
Lois Spence, *Secretary*
Ross Mastrorocco, *Commissioner*

Absent: Meghan Hayden, Esq., *Treasurer*
Peter Oliva, *Commissioner*
James Stewart, P.E., L.S., *Commissioner*

Also Present: Scott Schatzlein, P.E., *Land Use Director, Town Engineer, Inland Wetlands Agent*
Donna Suszynski, *Land Use Office Coordinator*
Rebecca Wood, *Recording Secretary in Training*

(C) Inland Wetland Commission Meeting Minutes

- July 27, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the July 27th, 2016 Meeting Minutes by Lois Spence

Second: Jason Grady

Abstain: None

Corrections/Changes:

- Minor grammatical changes
- Pg 4, 2nd paragraph should read “if there were protections in place in case invasive seeds were inadvertently brought in on storage material...”

Vote: 4 – 0 – 0 in favor, no abstentions; motion passed

Changes to Published Inland Wetland Commission Meeting Agenda:

- **IWC-2016-08** 232 Elm Street: 4 lot subdivision, D’Ausillio (applicant) (Larry Edwards, Representative)
- **IWC-2016-05** Masuk High School: Correspondence

(D) General Public Participation

II. Application Hearing Determinations:

- **IWC-2016-08** 232 Elm Street: 4 lot subdivision, D’Ausillio (applicant) (Larry Edwards, Representative)

Motion by Lois Spence to hold a Public Hearing as there may be interest from surrounding neighbors, and the site is located in a watershed area

Second: Jason Grady

Abstain: None

Vote: 4 – 0 – 0 in favor, no abstentions; motion passed

III. Subdivision Report/Recommendation to the Planning & Zoning Commission:

None

IV. Regulated Activities:

(A) Regular Hearings:

None

(B) Public Hearings:

- **IWC-2016-12** 146 Cutlers Farm Road and 267 & 287 Purdy Hill Road, Proposed 15 Unit Age Restricted Housing, Beaver Brook, LLC

Postponed to the September 14, 2016 Meeting to allow for Zone Change application determination by Planning & Zoning Commission (Extension was granted).

- **IWC-2016-13** 4 High Ridge Drive, proposed four bedroom home with associated site improvements (Wysocki).

Postponed to September 14, 2016 meeting

- **IWC-2016-14** 754 Main Street, Interior renovations, construction of Truck Well, Outdoor Living showcase area, stormwater quality measures and pavement repair; Stone Farm, LLC

Mr. Doug Reich, Landscape Architect, Solli Engineering, 501 Main Street, introduced also present, Mr. Casey Birch, Solli Engineering, and Mr. Steve Singlak, Owner and Applicant of Stone Farm, LLC.

Mr. Reich summarized the application, the multi-step process to include a zone change application with the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Inland Wetlands application,

and a Special Exception Permit. He then proceeded to respond to previous Staff Comments:

- Regarding letting Lawn areas naturalize to meadows: Without mowing, all of the lawn areas in question have now returned to meadow with the intent to maintain those areas as meadow, removing only woody invasive growth and creating visual appeal around the pond area with supplemental seed mixes;
- Regarding moving the outdoor living showcase area: Moving the outdoor living showcase to an asphalt area would expose it to tractor trailer traffic and remove it from the visual appeal and entertaining advantage of the pond and meadow area;
- Regarding the treatment of the outfall of the storm drainage system: The applicant has added an additional secondary treatment of vegetative swale;
- Regarding how the applicant will prevent the storage area from encroaching on the wetland area, large boulders will be placed along the boundary;
- Regarding the rinse agent used for cleaning asphalt (L. Spence): Mr. Reich provided Safety Data Sheets insuring the safety of the rinse agent;
- Regarding Test Pits: The test pits will be completed shortly;

Chairman Muttitt inquired if the storage container would be moved, and if boulders could be placed to prevent vehicles from traveling toward the culvert and placing "regulated area" signs in the location. Mr. Singlak noted that would be accomplished.

Commissioner Spence inquired if more of the asphalt area could be used for a trench drain and swale, rather than cutting out large amounts of old growth forest and preserving the canopy. Casey Birch responded that he chose that location because it was the lowest spot in the wetlands and provides the necessary pitch from the truck well to the wetlands;

Wetland markers will be placed around all wetland areas; no lights will be kept on in the wetland areas; the application will remain open until the zoning approval has been achieved.

Steve Singlak introduced himself and inquired what the Inland Wetland Commission required for approval. Chairman Muttitt stated that the Test Pit, wetland markers on the property and map, placement of boulders, and expert verification that there is no better area for drainage would be needed for approval;

A 14 day extension was granted to September 14, 2016.

Donna Suszynski, *Land Use Coordinator*, read the exhibits for the record.

Hearing no further comments from the public, Chairman Muttitt continued the application until the next meeting.

- **IWC-2016- 05** Masuk High School Athletic Field Letter

Town Engineer, Scott Schatzlein summarized the request for Jack Zmary, Director of Technology & Operations for the Monroe Board of Education

The contractor installing the lighting and other features on the Masuk High School athletic field, moved the electric power line behind the bleachers without authorization. No modification has to occur to the application, only a note to file.

- **IWC-2016-15** Webb Circle: Installation of cathodic protection system to prevent corrosion of the pipeline; Iroquois Pipeline Operating Company

Krista Fein, Environmental Analyst for Iroquois Pipeline Operating Company introduced Matthew Bell, Engineer, Cathodic Protection for Iroquois, and Jim McManus, Soil Scientist and Engineer for Iroquois. Krista discussed the application as follows:

- This treatment aids the prevention of corrosion into the pipeline with the goal being to replace the pipeline in this area with non-corrosive piping;
- The trench will be 1 ½' wide, the project area is .23 acres, excavation area approximately 1300 square feet or .32 acres;
- Most of the project occurs within the Upland Review Area;
- No wetland or stream disturbance;
- There will be approximately 4,000 cubic feet of Upland Review Area disturbance, added to the volume of disturbance for the Upland Area, the total disturbance will be approximately 4,500 cubic feet;
- The Tree Warden states there are approximately five trees that will need to be removed, depending on the invasiveness of the root system, to be done after November 1 and before April 15 to minimize impact;
- The project will take approximately ten days; and the process will be that every morning the trench will be opened, work performed, and closed up at end of day;
- DEEP approval is pending, and turtle inactive season is after September 30, and an Environmental Inspector will be on site do perform pre-job training with contractors and workers;
- There will be straw bales on site if needed and if requested by the Environmental Inspector, refueling will be done offsite; thick plastic sheeting and swamp mats, as well absorbent sock liner or the hay bales will be used on a flat platform area utilized for equipment storage located by the brook; at the end of the job the mats are rolled up.
- Sedimentation controls such as silt fencing will be utilized around the stream beds and the brook, at an angle determined by the Environmental Inspector, who will

also be completing daily inspections of the erosion control to insure that it is working properly, with weekly checks thereafter.

- The existing rail fence and stone wall will be worked around and remain as is; reseeding is done with a Conservation Mix.

Donna Suszynski, *Land Use Coordinator*, read the exhibits for the record.

Hearing no further comments from the public, Chairman Muttitt continued the application until the next meeting.

V. Violations:

- **IWC-2016-05** 100 Hammertown Road, Request for application submission extension

30 Day extension granted from meeting date 8/24/16.
- **IWV-2016-06** 51 Lynn Drive, Dan Aiken Homeowner

Reviewed activities done to the site, Commission to visit site prior to next meeting
- **IWV-2016-07** 58 Cottage Street – Mike Procyk homeowner

Reviewed activities done to the site; Commission requested an Agent Approval application submission within the next 90 days and to include Wetland Marker placement.
- **IWV-2016-08** 424 Hattertown Road, Luis Abreu & Natalia Cardona, homeowners

Reviewed activities done to the site; Commission to visit site before next meeting.

VI. Other:

- **IWC-2015-15** 53 Whispering Pine Road, Casas; Request to commence work prior to receiving Building Department Permit

Town Engineer, Scott Schatzlein will prepare and send a letter of approval from the Commission to the property owner, who are requesting to begin violation remediation to their property prior to applying for a building permit next year, to include a site inspection following completion of the work. The successful completion of the remediation work will close the violation.

VII. Deliberations on Completed Hearings:

- **IWC-2016-15** Webb Circle: Installation of cathodic protection system to prevent corrosion of the pipeline; Iroquois Pipeline Operating Company

The Commission requested Town Engineer, Scott Schatzlein draft an approval letter for the above application for the next Inland Wetland Commission meeting.

VIII. Bond Releases, Reductions, Reports: None

IX. Time Extensions: None

X. IWC Agent Activities/Reports

(A) General Permits: (None)

(B) Agent Approvals:

Scott Schatzlein reviewed Agent Approvals listed below with the Commission:

<u>IAA-2016-14</u>	342 Monroe Turnpike, Madera; Convert residence into Dentist Office
<u>IAA-2016-15</u>	180 Old Newtown Road, B.O.E.; Wood chipping of stockpiled brush, installation of stockade gate & wetland markers
<u>IAA-2016-16</u>	19 Nelson Brook Road, Family room & deck addition
<u>IAA-2016-17</u>	720 Main Street, remediation of violation
<u>IAA-2016-18</u>	14 Stony Brook Drive, Czarnowski; Covering inground pool & construction of garage.

XI. Violation Discussion:

It was determined that "Notice of Violations" would be issued to the property owners for the Violation numbers listed below:

IWV-2016-09
IWV-2016-10
IWV-2016-11
IWV-2016-12

XII. General Discussion/Other: None

XIII. Correspondence:

Letter regarding Masuk High School Athletic field was addressed earlier in the meeting.

XIV. Adjournment

The Inland Wetland Commission meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.